

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

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Invention:

INSTRUMENT AND SYSTEM FOR PREPARING THE DISC SPACE BETWEEN TWO VERTEBRAL BODIES

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.

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